



Dear St. Margaret Mary School Families,

Happy belated Mother's Day! Hope all SMMS moms are had a wonderful day with friends and family!

Our students had a very busy yet exciting week. Our 8th graders are in the midst of their 4th and final quarter here at SMMS. I feel as though it was just yesterday that they entered our school as young kindergartners and now... they are ready to embark upon a whole new world!!! Graduation Day for these young graduates is June 9th. Please mark your calendars for this very special event!

Ms. Leyva did it again! Last week, her and her fantastic fourth graders, planned, prepared and hosted the Mass of Creation. It was an incredible event filled with readers, singers, dancers and of course, reverence to our Lord. This week, we were again treated to another 4th grade spectacular event... Cinco de Mayo! The entire school began the festive afternoon with a Mexican lunch followed by piñata fun! Thank you Ms. Leyva and your 4th grade class for all your efforts in making Cinco de Mayo a very special day!

A beautiful Mass was experienced by all on Friday. As you are probably aware of, May is the month we honor our Mother Mary. Mrs. Rosato and her wonderful first graders presented to the school, a beautiful Mass called 'May Crowning.' At this Mass, the First graders honored and adorned Mary with flowers and lovely tributes. Our First graders did a fantastic job with reading, singing and presenting gifts. Thank you Mrs. Rosato and First grade!!

As we look ahead, please mark your calendar for our BIG SPRING SING EVENT! The date is May 19th and the event will begin at 6:00p.m. Holy Name Society will be serving up an awesome barbeque of hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixins' (so come hungry!!). Mothers Club will also be there selling a variety of sweet treats!! Seats will be available to reserve at 3:00 p.m. HOWEVER, why not waltz into the event, stress free with your very own FRONT ROW SEATS AND V.I.P PARKING!!!! This special V.I.P. package will be auctioned off on Monday May 16th. The auction will be done through e-mail. If you have any questions, please call the office at 310 326-9494. More news to follow.

1. **8TH graders! Don't forget. Merit Scholarship applications are due May 13th.**
 2. **MOVIE NIGHT THIS FRIDAY MAY 13TH AT 7:00 P.M**
 3. **MOTHER/SON DANCE – May 20th 6:00 p.m. TICKETS ON SALE NOW! Please call Sandra 310 326-9494 for more information on this exciting event!!**
 4. **SPRING SPORTS BANQUET – MAY 25TH** We will be honoring SMMS athletes who participated in volleyball, softball and soccer.
 5. **KNOTTS BERRY FARM ALL SCHOOL FIELD TRIP – May 26th – All chaperones must be Virtus Trained and fingerprinted. School buses leave at 9:00 a.m**
- **Follow SMMS for up to date information on news and activities through 'instagram!' Only SMMS FAMILIES invited. @saintmargaretmaryschool**

-----**HALF DAY TODAY!!!! MAY 9TH 12:00 DIMISSAL**-----

On Friday night, the Saint Margaret Mary School and Parish community gathered together to honor members of our parish for their unrelenting dedication to our school and parish. I personally had the great privilege to present awards to two sets of worthy recipients:

THE REINBOLDS - JOE RIENBOLD, SUE GARBE, JENNY EUBANKS AND LEIGH DENNEY

The Reinbold Family was inducted to the SMMS Hall of Fame as a gesture of our sincere appreciation and gratitude for their devotion to the Saint Margaret Mary Community for more than thirty years. Yet, as we celebrate the service of Mr. Reinbold and his three daughters, we must also honor and pay tribute to the matriarch of the Reinbold Family, Jackie. Jackie and Joe moved from South Dakota to Lomita with their small children in the early 1960's. Eager to instill in their children strong Catholic values, they enrolled their children into Saint Margaret Mary School. From that moment on, their tremendous efforts and tireless dedication to our school, shaped it on a path for success. Throughout the years, Jackie could be seen volunteering her time to a number of guilds, clubs and school administrative positions. She was an incredible inspiration to all who worked with her yet more importantly, a role model to her children. Today, her daughters serve as her legacy of giving. For over 20 years, Sue, Jenny and Leigh have been instrumental in the progress made toward making our school/church community an awesome place! Like their parents (Joe and Jacky), they have spent countless hours volunteering in all aspects of the SMMS community. They give of their time (and often times, money) freely to the school. Thank you Joe and Jacky Reinbold for your commitment to your faith... Commitment to your school community... And commitment to your family. You have instilled positive values and a tremendous work / moral ethic in your children and as a result, St. Margaret Mary School has happily benefited! Thank you Sue, Jenny and Leigh for your love and dedication to our school. We truly appreciate all that you do! You not only serve as incredible role models to your own children but to all the children of St. Margaret Mary School. SMMS loves the Reinbold Family!

CHRISTINE SCHWAB

When I think of Christine, I think of time and values. Let me explain... In our lives, one thing we cannot create, accumulate, acquire, buy or even borrow is time. We have a limited amount of time for sleep, work, family and our own interests. Therefore, an individual's time is a very precious commodity. When an individual commits themselves on a consistent basis, they have chosen to give up their own time to support an activity to benefit others. This brings me to values. Some of the strongest values, service and sacrifice are shown when one places the needs of another above their own. This person chooses to give up their personal time and energy and expend it to help others. This person is CHRISTINE SCHWAB. Here at SMMS, Christine works tirelessly in a variety of ways, so that our students can thrive both spiritually and academically. Although her son has long since graduated SMMS, Christine still gives up her time freely to help with all aspects of school/ church life. Her love for the children at SMMS is abundant! The countless hours she gives to our community is appreciated and certainly heart felt. A thousand thank yous Christine for all you have done and continue to do for our parish/ school community! You are an inspiration to us all!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Zimmerman
Principal